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FOLLOWING STATE 184567 SENT ACTION GENEVA BEIRUT TEL AVIV
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SUBJECT: INSPECTION OF REFUGEE AND HUMANITARIAN
ASSISTANCE POLICY AND PROGRAMS OF DEPARTMENT
OF STATE

1. INSPECTOR GENERAL (S/IG) IS CONDUCTING FUNCTIONAL
INSPECTION OF DEPARTMENT'S POLICIES AND PROGRAMS IN FIELD
OF REFUGEE AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE. SUBJECT TO YOUR
AGREEMENT ON TIMING, FOREIGN SERVICE INSPECTOR CHARLES R.
STEIN WILL VISIT ADDRESSEE POSTS DURING OCTOBER. PROPOSED
SCOPE OF WORK AND ITINERARY FOLLOW.

2. SCOPE OF WORK. S/IG WILL STUDY POLICIES, OBJECTIVES
AND ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF STATE PERTAINING TO
REFUGEE ASSISTANCE AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS. IN CONNECTION
WITH STUDY S/IG WILL CONSULT WITH AID, INTERNATIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS, AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES ABOUT THEIR
ACTIVITIES IN THIS FIELD. S/IG WILL EVALUATE CONTRIBUTION
OF REFUGEE AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE POLICIES AND
PROGRAMS TO CONDUCT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, AND IDENTIFY
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FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATE FOR DEPARTMENT IN THIS FIELD.

3. PROPOSE TWO WORKING DAYS IN BEIRUT AND THREE IN TEL AVIV FOR GENERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS CONCERNED WITH UNRWA, VISIT TO UNRWA CAMP AND CONVERSATIONS WITH UNRWA OFFICIALS AND HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IF EMBASSY CONSIDERS IT APPROPRIATE. PROPOSE OCTOBER 10 AND 11 IN BEIRUT AND OCTOBER 15 TO 17 IN TEL AVIV. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO FAMILIARIZE STEIN WITH UNRWA OPERATIONS AND ATTITUDES AND OPINIONS OF UNRWA STAFF AND OTHERS AFFECTED BY US POLICY TOWARD PALESTINIAN REFUGEES. STEIN WILL NOT BE INSPECTING UNRWA, NOR IS HE INSPECTING POSTS' REFUGEE FUNCTION. IN ISRAEL STEIN WILL ALSO BE INTERESTED IN RECEPTION AND SETTLEMENT OF SOVIET JEWS UNDER USG SUPPORTED PROGRAMS.

4. PROPOSE FOUR WORKING DAYS IN GENEVA FOR INTERVIEWS WITH RMRC UNIT OFFICERS, ICEM, UNHCR AND ICRC OFFICIALS, AND KEY VOLUNTARY AGENCY PERSONNEL; AND TWO WORKING DAYS IN VIENNA OBSERVING REFUGEE RECEPTION ACTIVITIES AND MEETING VOLAG WORKING LEVEL PERSONNEL. IT WOULD BE MOST CONVENIENT TO STOP IN VIENNA ON WAY BACK FROM TEL AVIV, BUT WILL RELY ON GENEVA'S JUDGMENT WHETHER GENEVA OR VIENNA SHOULD BE VISITED FIRST. IF VIENNA FIRST, WOULD APPRECIATE ESCORT OFFICER FROM RMRC GENEVA TO MEET IN VIENNA. TENTATIVELY PROPOSE ARRIVE VIENNA OCTOBER 18 AND GO ON TO GENEVA OCTOBER 21.

5. FULL ITINERARY WILL BE PREPARED FOLLOWING YOUR COMMENTS ON TIMING OF VISIT. RUSH
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